

## HE HAS NEVER BEFORE SEEN SO MANY SHARKS

Capt. Seelye of Steamer Beatty,  
Finds Ocean Alive—Coast Guard  
Not to Crusade.

NEW YORK, July 17.—The American steamer Beatty, which has reached here from Tilt Cove, N. F., reports the ocean alive with sharks.

Capt. Seelye says he never before saw so many sharks. From fifty miles east of Fire Island to port, he says, he saw schools of sharks, probably several hundred in all, from six to twelve feet long.

Capt. Meyer of the Dutch steamer Beukelsdyk, from Rotterdam, also reports sighting sharks in large schools.

The captain of the British steamship Merioneth, in today from Gibraltar, reports that July 6 and succeeding days he and members of the crew sighted sharks ranging in length from eight to ten feet in large schools.

Although two sharks, each weighing more than 250 pounds, were caught off Staten Island yesterday, and fishermen returning from nearby banks reported having seen several schools of the monster fish which have been terrorizing bathers, thousands of New Yorkers crowded to the various beach resorts, as usual. But there was a noticeable decrease in the number of persons who were in the water. At Coney Island alone, it was said, at least 50,000 remained ashore from the surf for fear of sharks.

**Shark Crusade Impracticable.**  
Suggestions that a campaign of extermination against sharks along the Atlantic coast be undertaken by the coast guard service were abandoned today by Treasury Department officials after considering a report by Capt. Carden, of the cutter Beatty, saying such a campaign would be impracticable and that the only sure method of protecting bathers was the extension of the steel wire net already in use at most resorts.

Capt. Carden, detailed to investigate the shark situation, spent Sunday at Asbury Park conferring with city officials and resort managers. He reported that the sharks are not as numerous as they were last year, but that the effort to attempt extermination of the vicious fish either by catching or by dynamite, which could not be used without killing all the food fish in the vicinity.

The coast guard officials will continue to lend any assistance possible, although it is believed that little can be done beyond advising the installation of nets and caution on the part of individual bathers.

## NAVY MAN'S BELONGINGS RETURNED BY MEXICANS

MAZATLAN, Mexico, July 17.—The money and personal property stolen from Ensign O. O. Kessing by Mexican soldiers when the American officer was taken prisoner here some weeks ago have been delivered by Gen. Manuel Flores, governor of Sinaloa, to the British consul, who is in charge of American interests in Mazatlan. By the consul the money and belongings were promptly returned to the United States cruiser South Dakota, now in the harbor.

It is reported here that Mexican government officials now are anxious to return the Southern Pacific railroad of Mexico, taken over by the government when all the American railroad employees returned to the United States, to the Southern Pacific Company. This is believed to be due to the fact that money necessary for the operating of the railroad is lacking.

## THOUSAND HORSES FOR STATE CAVALRY

EL PASO, Tex., July 17.—Approximately 1,000 horses, purchased in several middle western states, have been concentrated here within the last few days for the purpose of providing mounts and draft animals for the National Guard cavalry and artillery stationed here. The first of the animals were issued today to two troops of the 1st Massachusetts Cavalry, and it was announced the remainder will be distributed before the end of the week.

Contracts have been let, it was announced today, for the construction of eighteen new pavilions at the army base hospital at Fort Bliss. With the concentration of thousands of national guardsmen here, the new structures will mark the third enlargement in two months. The hospital now having a capacity of approximately 500 patients. Medical officers announced, however, that less than 100 patients are now confined in the hospital, and asserted that this is a remarkable showing.

## ARE SPEEDIEST SOLDIERS.

Italian Bersaglieri Outdistance Other  
Fighters—Russians Slowest.

VIENNA, July 2.—Prometheus, well known military publication, presents some interesting figures about the marching speed and ability of the various armies now at war. According to these statistics, the Italian Bersaglieri are by far the speediest soldiers in the world, the Russians the slowest. Following are the figures showing the strides per minute, the stride length and the distance per hour covered by the troops of the different nations.

	Strides per min.	Stride length	Distance per hour
German	114	80 cm.	5.47 km.
Austrian	115	80	5.50
French	120	75	5.40
Dutch	120	75	5.40
Bersaglieri	140	85	7.28
Russian	112 to 116	71	4.77 to 5.24

The Bersaglieri are able to outdistance all other soldiers so notably because they travel very light, and carry less baggage than any other troops. The short, slow walk of the Russian is laid to the poor roads that prevail everywhere in Russia, rather than to inferior marching power.

## INCREASE OVER 300 PER CENT.

Philippines Report 8,201.6 Kilometers of Roads Used for Traffic.

MANILA, July 25.—The Philippines now boast of 8,201.6 kilometers of roads now being used for traffic, an increase of more than 300 per cent in the past five years. The credit for this is shared by the administrations of Governor General Harrison and former Governor General Forbes, the latter having initiated an active campaign of road building, which his successor pushed so successfully that last year saw the construction of a greater road mileage than any year in Philippine history.

There are more than 3,000 kilometers of first-class road in the islands, and it is in road of a quality of which any state in the United States might be proud. There are some provinces in which the heaviest of automobile trucks can travel from one end to the other in the hardest of storms without suffering the slightest inconvenience because of mud, or washed-out highways. In most provinces during the dry season it is possible to travel anywhere in a light motor car.

Last year saw the expenditure of nearly \$5,000,000 in road work and the program for this year is almost as ambitious. The effect of this road building has been to increase in inter-provincial trade and a remarkable growth in the automobile business. Practically every dealer in Manila is handicapped by the fact that he cannot get cars fast enough. It is no uncommon thing to find a shipment of the more popular cars sold out before its date of arrival.

## CHINESE BEFRIENDING TROOPS LOOK TO U. S. FOR PROTECTION

Supplied Pershing's Men When Mexicans Refused, and as Expedition Withdraws They Are in Danger—Barred by Exclusion Law.

FIELD HEADQUARTERS IN MEXICO, July 12, by motor truck to Columbus, N. M.—What to do with the three hundred Chinese who have associated themselves with the punitive expedition has developed into a serious problem with the army since the shortening of the American line in Mexico recently revealed the large number enjoying present security under the protection of the American flag.

These Chinese flocked to the American lines to make money while the Mexicans through pride refused to sell hungry soldiers anything to eat, or through poverty were unable to traffic with the American troops. The Chinese stepped in and succeeded. Many a soldier without soap obtained his first good wash by buying a cake from a Chinaman.

In the desert wherever a truck train was likely to stop for water there was a Chinaman. Doughnuts, apples, which comprised about all the luxuries known to the men during this campaign.

## NEED HOMES FOR FEMALES.

London Picture Palaces and School-rooms May Be Used.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
LONDON, July 15.—Schoolrooms or moving picture palaces may be taken over by the government as temporary living quarters for women and girls employed either in the munition factories or in the ordinary business of London and other large cities. It will be one way of solving one of the questions forced into prominence by the war, namely the housing of thousands of women workers. To this end women of the upper and middle classes whose age prevents them from entering munition factories or taking service on the farm are urged to assist the government in improvising a comprehensive scheme.

Scarcity of labor has stopped building and the small cottages in or near the big centers of population are in unusual demand. The sudden increase in the number of munition workers has involved great migrations of labor. If there is a scarcity, amounting almost to a famine, of small houses, in a good many cases, though not in all, large houses can be obtained. The cost of living has led upper and middle-class families to migrate from the large house to the small one or a flat. Many large houses are empty, but the women have yet to get together on a plan to occupy them economically or in keeping with their incomes. An appeal recently made to landlords to allow the temporary occupation of such dwellings to be conducted as hotels or shared out among women.

At a few women's hotels these women obtain comfort and excellent meals at an exceedingly modest price. Such a result is possible only by combination and co-operation, because

alone in a rooming house women could not live so cheaply. Where there is considering using moving picture houses or schoolrooms.

Polish Farmers' School to Reopen.  
CORRESPONDENCE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
PULAVY, Russian Poland, July 15.—October is to see the reopening, with the Polish language in vogue, of the Agricultural High School, which, so far as Polish is concerned, has been closed since 1863. The Austro-Hungarian occupation authorities in Russian Poland have decided to revive the institution, and have entrusted the reorganization and conduct of the school to Prof. Dr. Stefan Surzycki of the University of Krakau. The Pulawy High School, one of the biggest educational institutions in Russian Poland, was closed in 1863 by the Russian authorities because its pupils had taken part in the revolution. It remained closed until the year 1869, when it was reopened as a purely Russian school. It was closed again at the outbreak of the war.

War Alters Etiquette of Weddings.  
CORRESPONDENCE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
LONDON, July 6.—The war has altered the etiquette of weddings in England. The war-wedding ring is not now always made of gold. A bride may be married with a lead ring made of the piece of shrapnel that injured her bridegroom.

The invitation list is, if not entirely suspended, much restricted. As a rule, only near relatives receive cards bidding them to the wedding.

The war bride has revised the wedding present list also in a most salutary manner. It is understood to be unparliamentary to give presents made of gold; silver is welcomed instead.

40,000 British War Widows.  
CORRESPONDENCE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
LONDON, July 6.—Nearly 40,000 women in this country have already been made widows by the war. When the conflict started and government officials were making estimates of the number of widows that in all probability would be created by the struggle, one of the highest estimates was 30,000. When Lord Kitchener heard of it he told those who were responsible for making provision for the war widows that the estimate was too low and said that they should make provision for at least 50,000. As a result of the recent naval battle, 1,550 widows were added to the list of women receiving pensions.

Austrian Monopoly Adds to Revenue.  
CORRESPONDENCE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
VIENNA, June 30.—By raising the prices of cigars, cigarettes and tobacco by an average of 35 per cent, the Austrian state monopoly hopes to raise an additional sum of nearly \$16,000,000 a year.

Brave Scotch Musicians Honored.  
CORRESPONDENCE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.  
LONDON, July 2.—Two Scotch soldiers, who "at a critical moment" steadied the men by getting up on the parapet of a trench and playing mouth organs while exposed to heavy fire, have been given the distinguished conduct medal. They are Henry Quartermaster Sergt. E. S. Beech and Lance Corp. Vickers of the 7th Battalion, Seaforth Highlanders.

## WESTERN MINERS MEET.

Several Hundred Delegates in Convention at Great Falls, Mont.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., July 17.—Several hundred delegates, chiefly from the metalliferous mining districts of the west and middle west and from British Columbia, were present at the opening here today of the annual convention of the Western Federation of Miners.

Interest centers in the election of officers, which already has taken place by referendum vote, the returns for which will be canvassed during the convention. Charles H. Moyer, who has been president of the organization for fourteen years consecutively, is opposed for the office by George Powell of Miami, Ariz.

Like the Mexicans who were threatened for having business dealings with the army, these Chinese lay themselves open to reprisals after the departure of the troops. Consequently they have followed the army northward toward the border.

Charley Tien, leader of the Chinese here, who claims American citizenship, said today that he would not care to remain in Mexico if the troops withdraw. He said his countrymen now with the expedition, but who are barred from entering the United States, will go with the army to the border, stopping on the Mexican side, from where, he said, they expect to be able to flee across the line for temporary refuge in case they are threatened.

Chinese here, when asked whether they carried firearms for self-defense, shook their heads.

"Carranzistas," they said, "have played great jokes on the China boys here. We have guns. We hear these China boys have had to enlist in the Carranza army."

Forty hours in open boat.

Sailors of the Ramos Picked Up Starving.

PHILADELPHIA, July 17.—Stories of privation, a forty-hour battle in open boats against gales and mountainous waves, the loss of two of their number and, when all hands had nearly given up hope, of rescue by the United Fruit Company's steamer Jose, were brought here last night by fourteen members of the crew of the freighter Ramos, which sank last Wednesday 310 miles northwest of Watling Island.

The steward and one sailor of the Ramos were drowned while leaving the ship. Fears are expressed for the safety of Capt. McGoldrick and eight other members of his crew, who put off in a small boat, but who could not be found by the Jose. It is possible, however, that they may have been picked up by some other ship.

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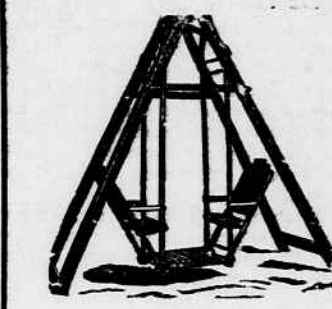
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Kann's—Street Floor Bargain Tables.

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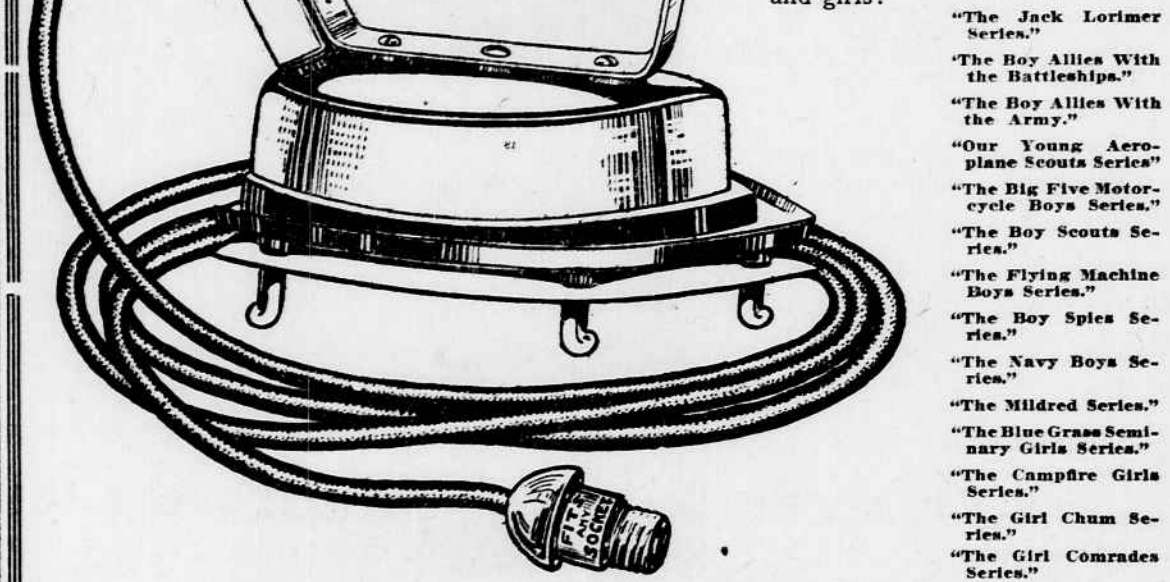
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